





# Israelis tell Mart of new fears

**BRUSSELS (INA).** — Israel should get the same preferential treatment accorded to non-E.E.C. countries such as Yugoslavia and Spain, and should remain unaffected by the fact that the Common Market is being enlarged. These are the two main points made by the Israeli delegation at the joint meeting of the Israel E.E.C. commission which met here over the weekend.

The leader of the Israeli delegation, Ambassador Moshe Alon, chair of the meeting. The E.E.C. delegation was headed by the Director-General for Foreign Affairs of the E.E.C., Mr. Helmut Siegener.

The meeting noted that Israel's commercial balance of payments is in deficit although Israel has developed important commercial exchanges which have brought forth considerable progress.

The Israeli delegation expressed concern about threats to the preferential treatment accorded to Israel oranges and grapefruit by the E.E.C. countries.

**Chemicals, textiles**

It referred also to the preferential treatment given to certain chemicals and textiles from Yugoslavia and Spain, commodities which are fully taxed by the E.E.C. when being imported from Israel. The problems which could be created for Israel by the enlarging of the E.E.C. were also discussed.

The Mart delegates promised that the points raised by Israel would be considered both when the agreement for the enlarged Mart was drafted and when the Mart's economic commission reviews its preferential treatment of non-E.E.C. countries.

Ambassador Alon regretted that the meeting was not held in Israel, as this would have enabled the E.E.C. delegates to become better acquainted with Israeli life. It was decided at the joint meeting that their next meeting would be held in Israel.

The opposition Christian Democrat and Nationalist parties in Chile have just won two important by-elections. Quick to see the 'danger signals,' Marxist President Salvador

Allende has indicated he would like to broaden his left-wing coalition government to include two non-Marxist smaller parties. FWF correspondent Robert Moss reports.

# Major setback for Chile's Allende

**LONDON (FWF).** — President Salvador Allende of Chile appears to have recognized two adverse by-election results as "danger signals" for he has indicated that he would like to broaden his left-wing coalition government to include two non-Marxist smaller parties. He has also accepted the resignation of his cabinet preparatory to a reshuffle.

The opposition Christian Democrat and Nationalist parties, which had formed an electoral alliance, won a convincing majority in the contest for a Senate seat and a seat in the Assembly. Opposition spokesmen were quick to interpret the results as a "warning" to the Marxist President to end "the excesses of the government."

**Conservative bastions**

Dr. Allende and his supporters, on their side, had been trying to minimize the importance of the by-elections. They argued that governments often lose by-elections once they have outlived their initial honeymoon period in office and that the south-central provinces where the elections took place have always been bastions of the conservative parties. But the President's latest moves indicate that he is more than a little disturbed.

The Chilean by-elections are crucially important for several reasons. Firstly, because they show that the emerging alliance between the opposition parties is holding firm. Despite local jealousies, the opposition chiefs were able to agree on the candidature of Rafael Moreno — a Christian Democrat who was formerly the head of the agrarian reform agency and is very close to ex-President Eduardo Frei — for the Senate seat, and of the Nationalist Sergio Dier in the Assembly.

Although Allende has taken the issue to the constitutional court (most of whose members he appointed himself) the whole atmosphere illustrates the continuing tension between the executive and the legislature in Allende's Chile.

Dr. Allende knows that the economic crisis that the country is currently undergoing may well last until the parliamentary elections in 1973 and this could spell defeat at the polls. There are indications of shortages of foodstuffs and consumer goods in Santiago shops that have already inspired a mood of popular frustration expressed by those middle-class housewives who were banging their pots and pans a month ago.

**Popular backing**

If Dr. Allende tries to get rid of congress by holding a referendum on his plans to set up a one-chamber "people's assembly," he needs to be sure of his popular backing. The recent by-election showed him that he cannot be certain of victory in a plebiscite. For the moment, his prime tactic seems to be to try to enlist as much support for the Popular Unity Coalitions as possible by making advances to groups outside the government like the Leftist Radical Party (PIR) — one of whose leaders is about to be made a minister — and the left-wing of the Christian Democrat Party.

"We will continue the battle," said the Secretary-General of the Socialist Party, Carlos Altamirano, after the by-election results. There is little doubt that this can only lead to a greater polarization between the left and the right in Chile that is already evidenced by the mounting violence in the streets and the activities of para-military groups from both political extremes.



Northern Ireland Opposition M.P., Bernadette Devlin, argues with a British Army sergeant during the anti-internment camp march in County Tyrone, on Saturday. The army barred the roads to the marchers.



Lack of a conventional hood led to a plastic sealed dressing jar, with a hole cut out, being used as an oxygen tent at Northwestern Hospital, Minneapolis, for three-month-old Colleen McGrath, who is being treated here for a heart defect.

# Fascists find fertile ground only in Italy

**PALM BEACH, Fla. (INA).** — Continued political unrest in Italy could foster neo-fascism or neo-Nazism in Western Europe despite recent ultra-rightist defeats in Germany, Austria, Great Britain and France, the American Jewish Committee warned at the week-end.

"The impressive voting and psychological gains of the Italian Social Movement, MSI, under the leadership of Giorgio Almirante, could adversely affect the democratic trend in Western Europe by encouraging other 'right-wing groups,' the Committee said in a report made public at a meeting of its board of governors here on Friday.

**Helping democrats**

The American Jewish Committee maintains a programme of assisting democratic elements in Europe and calling attention to the activities of neo-fascists seeking to regain the power they lost as a result of World War II.

Morris H. Berggren, chairman of the committee's Foreign Affairs Commission, who released the report, said, "We are heartened by the failure of undemocratic forces in Europe, but we recognized the need for continued vigilance. By becoming much more visible and aggressive in public, the Italian neo-fascists have set an example that others may seek to follow."

The report gave the following details of ultra-rightist defeats in Western Europe.

- West Germany's National Democratic Party, NPD, split into fragments, with the party's chief figure, Adolf von Thadden, resigning. Dr. Gerhard Frey, publisher of the most important radical-right weekly in West Germany, the "Deutscher National-Zeitung," has been trying to rally those of a Nazi turn of mind, but his paper has been losing circulation steadily from its one-time high of some 165,000 and is now probably less than 100,000.

# Jobless Moscow Jewish chemist writes to Nixon

**WASHINGTON (INA).** — A letter to President Nixon from Gavriel Hef, a 26-year-old Moscow chemist who lost his position as chemical engineer after applying for emigration to Israel, was left at the White House last week.

The letter was delivered by Judy Silver, a social worker, who spoke with Hef by telephone here last week. During the conversation the man fired a letter was dictated to her.

Hef, who now earns a living as a telephone repairman, told Nixon that he was one of a number of Jews in the Soviet Union for whom the main purpose in life is serving the people and devotion to the cause of the strengthening and prospering of our mother land, the State of Israel.

However, "together with many others I am deprived of the chance to realize this cherished dream," since "always I find myself in an atmosphere of persecution and suffering," he said.

**'Help me leave'**

"I appeal to you, sir, as the head of a great nation whose principles are founded on the humanity and sense of justice of the great Thomas Jefferson, to do what is in your power to help me leave for my homeland — Israel," Shapiro ended.

Miss Silver said she gave the letter to a congressional liaison official at the White House to be passed to President Nixon along with documentation of the conditions in Soviet prison camps based on her talks with the wives of six prisoners in Leningrad early this month.

# Rhodesia unrest worries Portuguese neighbours

**LONDON (Ofns).** — Portuguese, who have been hopeful of a settlement in Rhodesia, are now alarmed at the recent outbreaks of violence there. Portugal's African territory of Mozambique sorely needs cash, and the ending of sanctions against Rhodesia would benefit the local exchequer by giving a year through increased shipping, trade and tourism.

According to reports the naval blockade which closed the Beira to Umalt pipeline and cost Mozambique in lost revenue a total of 50m. by the end of 1971, a factor that is blamed for the worsening balance of payments.

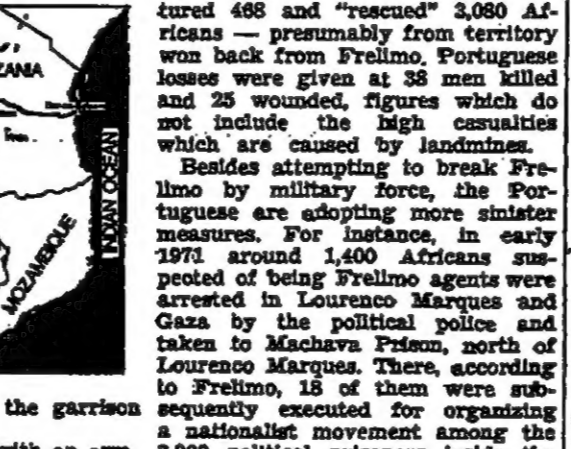
But of all the perils facing Mozambique at this moment the economic crisis, though serious, causes the least concern. Despite optimistic declarations by the sensitive Commander-in-Chief, General Kaniza de Azevedo, guerrilla activity, which has already spread to the borders of Rhodesia, is growing like a cancer. Even if Frelimo (the independence movement) has come no nearer than 38 miles to Cabora-Bassa, the controversial hydro-electric undertaking, and then only in hands of a dozen men, it has created a tense enough situation to place the whole of the sensitive Beira area, which lies next to the Rhodesia border, under military law and step up the garrison to 20,000.

Civilians now travel with an armed escort and Rhodesians crossing into Malawi and vice-versa take their lives in their hands, as roads and railways are mined regularly at night by the guerrillas.

Determined to wipe out the guerrilla strongholds in the bush, the Portuguese, according to Frelimo, have "indiscriminately massacred" the local tribesmen. Over 3,000 African refugees are said to have fled from the Tete province to Malawi to escape the "atrocities of Portuguese soldiers."

It was during the second half of last year that the situation of the Portuguese in Mozambique deteriorated. Frelimo doubled their number of ambushes, which prompted the Portuguese to retaliate with a massive attack against the guerrillas in the Mocimboa do Rovuma corridor their heaviest to date. During this and other operations in September the Portuguese claim to have killed 368 guerrillas, including four tribal chiefs, captured 468 and "rescued" 3,060 Africans — presumably from territory won back from Frelimo. Portuguese losses were given as 38 men killed and 25 wounded, figures which do not include the high casualties which are caused by landmines.

Besides attempting to break Frelimo by military force, the Portuguese are adopting more sinister measures. For instance, in early 1971 around 1,400 Africans suspected of being Frelimo agents were arrested in Lourenco Marques and Gaza by the political police and taken to Machava Prison, north of Lourenco Marques. There, according to Frelimo, 15 of them were subsequently executed for organizing a nationalist movement among the 3,000 political prisoners inside the jail.



**Laotians not to protect moon**

**VIENTIANE, Laos (AP).** — The Laotian government ordered its troops not to protect the moon this year.

A special order from the urban police yesterday said: "All discharge of firearms is formally prohibited on the occasion of the partial eclipse of the moon announced for Sunday at 1838 hours."

According to Lao tradition, eclipses are caused by a mythological dragon trying to eat the moon in revenge for having its head cut off by the god Vishnu.

The Laotian people traditionally make a lot of noise, including shooting guns, to frighten off the dragon when an eclipse is imminent.

# Pope concerned by Rome pornography

**VATICAN CITY (Reuter).** — Pope Paul has told Rome's mayor he should keep the capital free of pornography and other "bad customs," especially with "holy year" only three years away.

Lately there has been an unprecedented flood of "nudie" magazines and erotic films in Rome. During holy year, celebrated by the Roman Catholic Church every 25 years, Rome will be invaded by millions of pilgrims and Pope Paul clearly feels they should not be distracted by erotic literature and films.

The 74-year-old Pontiff told Mayor Clelio Darida and his councillors in an audience that he was particularly concerned that the "sacred character of Rome" be protected from "certain pornographic licence and certain bad customs."

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# Britain, France

- British ultra-right-wingers, engaging in the latest of their internal battles, produced a new, little-known leader, John O'Brien, for their British National Front. The British rightists found no new support for their aims, despite their optimistic prophecies.
- The French Royalist Restoration movement, a successor to the once-powerful Action Francaise, continued to lose members due to internal rivalry. Ordre Nouveau, an extremist group notable chiefly for its picturesque appearances in public armed with pikestaffs and helmets, polled only about 2.4 per cent of the total in the Paris city elections.
- Austrian neo-Nazi groups were an insignificant factor in the two 1971 elections, and the organized radical-right elements in other countries hardly made their presence felt in anything but nuisance operations.

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\* January 3-27

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Business and Finance

Koor shareholders have recently received "a very handsome yield," with more to come. J. Voet considers the company's prospects from the shareholder's point of view.

A handsome dividend cheque from Koor

SHAREHOLDERS of Koor Industries Ltd. were recently surprised to receive a handsome dividend cheque. On a 6 per cent preference share of IL1,000, no less than IL128.94 was paid out for the year 1966/67, after deduction of all taxes.

and a somewhat diminishing and rather modest net profit. Turnover for all the Koor Industries enterprises is set at about IL370m. for the year 1970, to reach probably IL410m. in 1971.

dividends, legally possible because the shares held by the public bodies belong to another category, throws light on the curious capitalization of the giant conglomerate. A share capital of about IL50m. to which perhaps another IL50m. of partially undisclosed, "hidden" reserves can be added, is a very small capital indeed for a conglomerate of industrial companies with an annual turnover and a balance sheet total of more than IL1,000m.

We are told Koor is run as a capitalistic enterprise, the profit motive being the overriding consideration in all its managerial decisions. Koor's capitalization is, however, more that of a public utility. With many more millions ploughed back annually on the expanding chain of enterprises than is shown in profits, it is impossible to judge the real profitability of the concern. The published profit margin, as percentage of turnover, must be considered modest, and the fact that it is declining, in spite of a rapidly rising turnover, is not encouraging.

Book losses covered

Why, under the circumstances, is Koor Industries resuming dividend payments? With the substantial 1969 profits, existing book-losses were covered, making possible dividend payments out of 1970 profits. No big sums of money are needed for these payments, generous as they may be. Firstly, Koor's share capital is very small in comparison to its balance sheet total and its annual turnover, nominally about IL47m. only. Of this, about half are preferred shares with dividend arrears. The majority of the preferred shares are in the hands of the holding company of the Elitadrut Enterprises, Hevrat Ovdim, funds and the Government. Only about IL1m. preferred shares are listed on the Stock Exchange. To this tiny minority, the cash dividends has been paid and future payments promised. The preferred shares held by public bodies will receive the payments of the arrears in bonus shares. A heavy drain on cash resources is thus being avoided.

Nevertheless, these facts, although of great importance for the real owners of Koor, Hevrat Ovdim, need not worry private preferred shareholders of Koor Ltd. The IL4m. 6 1/2 per cent preferred shares quoted on the Stock Exchange are, at around 140, attractively priced, considering that they contain about 60 per cent arrears to be paid within two years if present plans materialize. Thereafter, 6 1/2 per cent preferred shares "Koor" are in fact 15.17 per cent preferred shares, dollar linked.

As long as boom conditions prevail in Israel, there seems to be no reason why Koor Industries will not earn the modest sums needed to pay these dividends regularly in future. Despite the many question marks about the capitalization and the profitability of the concern itself, preferred shares "Koor" must therefore be considered a good buy for any investor who likes a high return on his capital and who can

There is more to come. The payment made covers arrears for the year 1966-67, and it is the company's intention to cover the arrears still outstanding for the years 1968-1971 in about two years, thus making annually double payments of the above mentioned sums or disbursement each year of about 26 per cent net to the shareholders.

16,000 workers

This good news led me to take a closer look at the present position of this unique conglomerate of enterprises, which employs nearly 16,000 workers and is owner or co-owner of some of the most important enterprises in the country: Tadiran, Soltam Ltd., Israel Steel Mills, Acre, the Joint Pipe Industries in Ramle, Vulcan Foundries, Phoenixia, Telrad, Makhteshim and Shemen, and many more.

Has Koor's position improved so much recently that it can afford to pay out substantial sums of money in dividends? Can its liquidity position withstand this heavy drain on its cash resources?

Figures released by Koor's financial administration reveal an important increase in turnover, a disappointing decrease in profit margins,

Trying to make everybody read

THE AVIV. — Of Israel's Jewish population, four per cent of the males and 16 per cent of the women do not reach literacy standards, Mr. Mordechai Bernstein, President of Publisher's Association, said last week. He was announcing the start of International Book Year, sponsored by the Israel delegation to the Tokyo Inter-Asian Unesco Convention in 1966, which is aimed primarily at the eradication of illiteracy, and also at promoting a "books for all" scheme through the combined

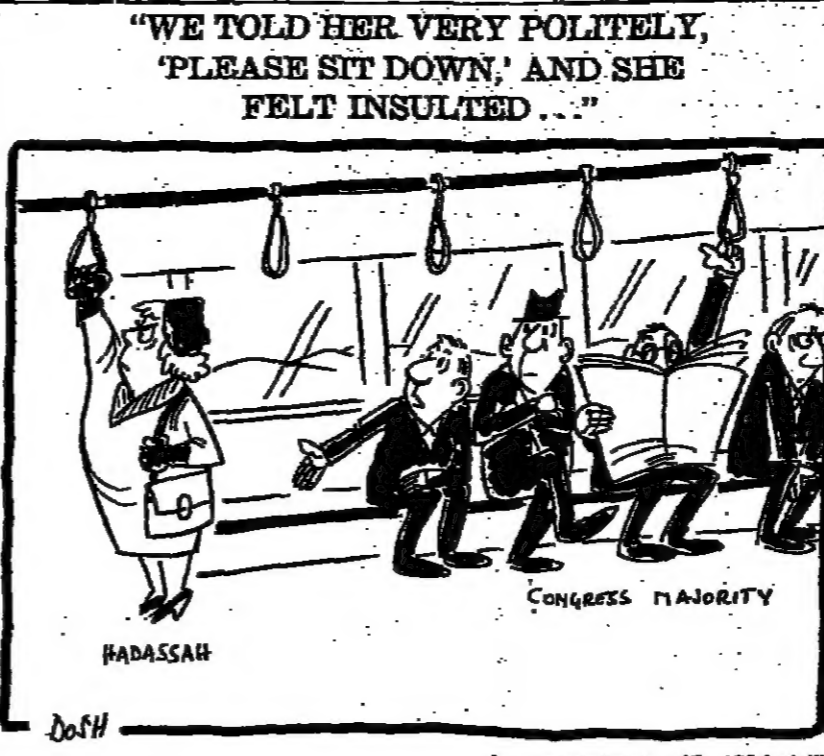
efforts of the Government, publishers, book-sellers and librarians. The talking in the Knesset of the Libraries Bill recently was part of the Book Year events, the press was told. The bill is aimed at each local authority establishing a library. This will put books at the reach of the population and also enable publishers to plan publications with a minimum certainty of sales.

"The average sale of a book in Israel is just over 500 copies, while a minimum sale necessary to cover printing expenses is between 1,000

and 1,500 copies," Mr. Bernstein said.

Forty years ago the average sale was 2,000 copies, when books were comparatively more expensive than today. The publishers are unanimous in requesting the authorities to abolish duties on paper and printing materials to keep the price of the raw materials for books at the level enjoyed by publishers in other countries. There is no duty on books, which puts the locally-produced book at a disadvantage compared with the imported product.

An exhibition of books originally written in Hebrew and produced in Israel since the Six Day War was opened at Beit Hamita yesterday. The British Council will contribute to the events with an exhibition of 1,000 titles on the history of the Jewish people, printed in Britain, as well as 500 children's books. A national survey of libraries will be made during the year, according to Mr. Yisrael Golan, head of the Libraries Division of the Ministry of Education.



A VIOLINIST COMES HOME

The Israel Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra, Yuval Zalkin, conductor: Ora Ezer, piano; Sidney Hersh, violin; Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, Jerusalem, January 30. Tzannisana: "Homage to Erasmus de Rotterdam" (1867); Weber: "Konzertstück in F minor, for piano and Orchestra, op. 35 (1821); Bartok: "Vallée Concerto No. 2 (1933); Kodaly: "Dances from Galatzka (1933).

THERE was plenty in the evening's programme to evoke interest: a guest conductor, though half-born, Yuval Zalkin now lives in London and this is a guest in his own country; two soloists, one a guest artist from the U.S.A., a new work of a mature composer (Tzannisana). Also Bartok's Second Violin Concerto, though by no means neglected, can be heard again and again with profit, and Kodaly's folkloristic Dances are always impressive and effective.

And this evening was indeed interesting. Yuval Zalkin was firmly in charge of the proceedings, leading the orchestra in precise and proficient performances. He has gained clarity and authority since we heard him last.

Ora Rotem, burdened with that naïvely primitive Weber Konzertstück, tried hard to get some musical interest out of her part, but only technical brilliance, of the 1820 variety, is bearable in this absurd piece. She played with perfect smoothness, precision and impressive fluidity but her musicianship deserves a better and more challenging work — she is heard too rarely as it is.

Sidney Hersh is a violinist of great distinction and ability. He attacked his part with near Hungarian temperament and voluptuous tone, showing a most impressive technical agility. His performance of the Bartok Concerto was of the highest standard and musical quality helped by cooperation from conductor and orchestra. In the slow movement, the mood was carried beautifully, providing some restful moments in the outer movements.

Alexander Tansmann's work, written at the age of 70, is not only extremely well orchestrated but has plenty of musical interest. The Galantha Dances by Kodaly made a rousing finale, especially as performed with spirit and dedication by Yuval Zalkin and the orchestra musicians.

YOHANAN BOEHM

The conductor is not all

Hails Symphony Orchestra, Avi Ostrowsky, conductor. Soloists: Judith Lazarevitch, soprano; Mira Sagal, contralto; Ben P. singer; Willy Kaplan, tenor. The Haklitzit Haskala choir directed by M. Shavit and E. Deren. (Theatre Hall, January 24). Bach: "Brandenburg Concerto No. 4 in G major. Soloists: Sara Fuxon; Beata; and Perot. Gita. Bach: Cantata No. 4 "Christ lag in Todesbanden". Mozart: Divertimento No. 3 in E flat major, K. 167. Mozart: Concerto Mass in G major, K. 217.

THIS evening, devoted to Bach and Mozart, was not wholly successful. Though lovingly directed by the conductor, the Brandenburg Concerto did not give a satisfying measure of the music's beauty. The Cantata did not fare much better. This sacred choral music was mainly sung in "marcato" with the word "Halleluja" sounding more like repressed laughter than in support of the music's serious background. Elementary demands, such as clear enunciation, were not observed which would not have been so important if the vocal line had been better conceived. One of the orchestra's best sections, the woodwinds, played Mozart's Divertimento with youthful high spirits, while Ostrowsky showed complete understanding of style and transparent of the different instruments. Mozart's Mass proved Ostrowsky's insight in the music and its performing difficulties, taking into account the shortcomings of the big body of participating members, who only partially captured the Mass' atmosphere. G.W.B.

Old-timers want to step down, says Sapir  
TEL AVIV. — Finance Minister Pithas Sapir last week told an audience of students (mainly under-30) that a number of Cabinet members over 60 would like to retire from active political life — including himself. "After 18 years in the Government, I'd like to call it a day," he said.

Mr. Sapir was speaking to the Students' Association's National Council for Home Affairs. His comments on retirement followed a question raised by one of the students concerning the "elderly image" of the nation's leaders. Even Premier Golda Meir had expressed the wish to step down, "but I hope she'll continue," Mr. Sapir said.

Emphatically rejecting charges that corruption was rife in the country, Mr. Sapir said it was a distortion of the truth to view the economy in the light of a few individual failures. Unethical practices are one thing, but if "one had to resign because of a mistake or two in judgement, then I — and every other person in public life — should have quit a long time ago."

Mr. Sapir said that the Treasury had collected some IL4,000m. in taxes in 1971, as compared with only IL3,000m. in 1961. "And this despite the fact that the gross national product has not risen in the same proportion." (HAM)

Peres declines offer from Columbia U.

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter  
Minister of Transport and Communications Shimon Peres has decided to turn down an offer from Columbia University in New York to spend a sabbatical year there as a lecturer in political science.

The Minister was informed about the University's interest in inviting him by Rabbi Arthur Herzberger of the Jewish Agency Executive in the United States, who lectures at the University.

After weighing the offer Mr. Peres decided not to accept the invitation.

Country club plan in Haifa falls through

HAIFA. — Plans for the creation of a country club here similar to that north of Tel Aviv were dashed when the promoter, Mr. Roberto Aharon, reported to the Municipality that he had failed to round up the necessary capital of several million dollars. The Municipal Council is expected to approve the refund of a deposit he paid, at its next meeting.

The club, with all requisite facilities, was to have been built on the site of the former international youth city (which itself turned out to have been a poor investment and a financial flop), very close to the new section of the Carmel Cemetery. The country club was one of the Town Hall's hopes for a breakthrough in the long-stagnant tourist industry in town.

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# Readers' letters

## NO POLITICAL BIGAMY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I wish to refer to Mr. S. Rosoff's letter in your issue of January 25. As one of his "political bigamists" who entered Israel on a British passport, I must inform him that his sweeping statements about "immigrants from Western countries" are not necessarily true.

As a British subject by birth, I can never cease to be a "subject of the Queen," according to British law. I cannot appeal to the British representatives here to extend any protection to me against the acts of the Israeli authorities (and a British passport is of little use in many other countries). I cannot enter any Arab country with a British passport bearing an Israeli immigrant's visa. I cannot "burn my bridges" I can however re-cross them (though I would not wish to), but unlike many other immigrants, I do have the choice of returning. I and over 250,000 other "Westerners" should have demonstrated our sincerity by the fact that we are here — by choice.

Mr. Rosoff's suggestion would penalize British settlers who came to Israel, while rewarding those who have come here to get away from somewhere else. Come off it, Mr. Rosoff! I'm home at last. And I don't care where my bags are dumped.

H.S. ROZOV  
 Holon, January 25.

## Bad manners at Congress

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I am writing to you on behalf of those delegates to the World Zionist Congress, who are unfortunately not blessed with a full understanding of the Hebrew language.

The Bible teaches us to greet the stranger within our gates with courtesy and respect. Neither of these values were apparent at this Congress.

Surely it is not too much to ask that, given the opportunity to hear Abba Eban, we delegates, who have come thousands of miles to hear him, should be able to do so in a language we understand. The Israelis have ample opportunity to hear him in Hebrew. On our return home, we might have been in a position to transmit his message to those who were denied an opportunity to attend this exciting evening. As it is, we go home sick at heart.

LILIAN P. LEVY  
 Jerusalem (Toronto) January 24.

## Disillusioned by scandals

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I have just read an editorial in the Los Angeles "Daily B'nai B'rith Messenger" of Friday, January 14, by Eliezer Whartman, a "B'nai B'rith Messenger" Israel correspondent.

He mentions the shocking scandals of "The Investors Overseas Service," "Vered," "Autocars," "Nativel Neft," etc.

I have been a voluntary worker for U.J.A. since 1945. Perhaps the large funds pouring in to Israel come too easy and represent too

great a temptation. A good many of the Jewish contributors to Israel are in very modest circumstances, financially, and give more than they can really afford. I know a number of influential givers who are very unhappy with the loose manner of handling some of the funds and the apparent fiscal laxness. I would sincerely hope that a drastic shake-up would take place in that part of the government that appears so weak.

SAMUEL J. CHAMPAGNE  
 Beverly Hills, California, January 18.

## Improving banking practice

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — In a letter to the Editor (January 18), Ivan Benjamin listed four excellent suggestions on how to improve banking practices in Israel. I would like to make one suggestion which I feel lies at the core of the problem. If my suggestions were carried out, it would automatically lead to Mr. Benjamin's suggestions.

I suggest that banks return all checks to the customer, after photocopying them for the bank's files. This is the practice followed in the U.S. These returned cancelled checks can serve as valid receipts, eliminating much of the present duplication. It would serve as an additional record, obviating much of the need of the separate cash counter. It would permit depositing checks by mail, both at

banks and offices, thereby saving enormous amounts of time.

I would like to pay the gas bill, telephone bill, and Kupat Holim bill by check, and be able to rely on the cancelled check as a receipt. For them to send me a receipt is an unnecessary expense. For me to pay in person is unnecessarily time-consuming.

I would be glad to pay a premium for the privilege of having cancelled checks returned to me. We are now living in difficult times in Israel. The government is cutting back on all unnecessary expenditures and luxuries. It is time we did away with the luxury of numerous receipts, paying bills in person, separate cash counters, and the like. Let us use the well-tested method of cancelled checks.

S. AERANOFF  
 Beersheba, January 20.

## THE DECAMERON

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I refer to the review of Pasolini's "The Decameron" (January 5) and the inference by your critic that some episodes "may have been cut."

No cuts were made in "The Decameron." The official running time is 100 minutes and Mr. Joseph Skrycki, the distinguished critic of "Ha'aretz," who saw the picture both here and abroad, will vouch for the fact that nothing has been deleted.

"The Decameron" was awarded the "Silver Bear" at the Berlin Festival and a distinguished jury in Paris has awarded Pasolini the Raoul Levy Prize (1971) for "The Decameron," edging "Le souffle au coeur" by six votes to five. The picture is a great success everywhere and here in Israel it broke all house records during its first week in the Studio Cinema, Tel Aviv.

A.L. CHISSIKOV,  
 General Manager,  
 United Artists of Israel, Inc.  
 Tel Aviv, January 12

## EMPLOYMENT FOR THE BLIND

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — When I read Jack Leon's very interesting article entitled "Fair deal wanted for the blind" (January 14), I was reminded of an observation I made some 20 years ago in Germany.

I was then working with the Israel Purchasing Mission in Cologne and noted that the faultlessly typed letters of one of the biggest industrial concerns invariably bore a footnote to the effect that "this letter was written by a blind typist."

I believe that if some of our Israeli leading companies would follow this lead, many other firms might be encouraged to give this example a thought too.

YEHUDITH BILUTH,  
 Tel Aviv, January 14.

PEN FRIENDS  
 MAYLIS RYDEN (US), c/o Gen Holman, Stenografsgatan 27, S-110 00 Stockholm, Sweden. Would like to correspond with you in Israel.  
 KERRIN YONSSON (US), c/o Gen Holman, Stenografsgatan 27, S-110 00 Stockholm, Sweden. Would like to have Israel pen-friends.



The President of the Weizmann Institute of Science, Prof. Albert Sablin, left with a delegation of the World Union O.S.E., the international Jewish social welfare organization, which called on him at Rehovot to inform him that he had been elected an honorary president. The post has remained vacant since the death of the previous President, Prof. Albert Einstein. The O.S.E. delegation members are, left to right: Dr. Nissan L. Wolf, representative of O.S.E. in Israel, Rehovot Mayor Shmuel Rechtman, and Mr. Gershon Gidoni. (Eric photos)

## KEEPING POSTED

THERE is an idea around that the only trouble with demonstrations is that the police get in the way. If there were no police, the demonstrators would have the place to themselves and the worst they would do would be to tie up traffic for a bit. There are other people who hold parallel views about traffic lights. If there weren't all that nonsense of a red light holding people up when there is not another car in sight, the drivers would manage very well on their own. The opinion was widely held when the lights were first put up. And to this day there are two driver temperaments: those who prefer crossings with lights, where they know exactly what they should be doing, and those who will go round by a longer route to avoid lights and slip through as best they can.

cars behind would have prevented him from backing up.

By this time police had just arrived and were trying to straighten out the muddle but the drivers had smelt blood, so to speak, and were hard to persuade. Give us sand, flood, thunder and lightning any time rather than a crowd.

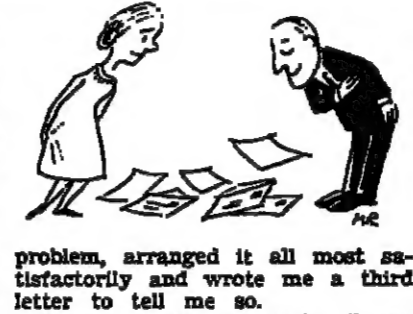
INDIVIDUALS, on the other hand, I can of course be very reasonable. A woman in Tel Aviv had "a great problem" — she does not reveal what it was — and after six years of struggling with it she wrote for help to the Ombudsman, Mr. Gershon Avner. She continues: "I got an answer in Hebrew. When those at the Office judged from my answer that I hadn't understood their letter properly, they wrote a second letter, this time in English, though this is quite contrary to their custom, to explain matters to me. Then they promptly solved my

problem, arranged it all most satisfactorily and wrote me a third letter to tell me so.

Busting with gratitude, I sat down and wrote Mr. Avner a letter of thanks. To my delighted surprise, I got another answer. He said they were exceedingly grateful for my very kind lines! So now here she is, thanking him, and we trust the result will be an office memo, at least, at the ombudsman's.

ALL these were mere natural obstacles to driving and could be overcome with a little extra care. But just outside the Yarkon bridge there was a traffic jam.

"Must have been an accident because of the rain," a passenger said sagely. The traffic did not exactly inch forward, but every five or six minutes it made a vicious little rush that took it 10 or 20 metres. The obstacle proved to be, not one accident, which might have been expected, but several hundred crazed drivers trying to force their way in two directions at once over a crossroad, jammed up against the original core of half a dozen or so who were now hopelessly wedged against each other at right angles. Even if one of them had suddenly seen the light and been willing to let the other man get across, the



## IN MEMORIAM RABBI ELI TOREN

# Resistance fighter who founded youth centres

THE death of Rabbi Eli Toren, founder and leader of "Keren Yaldenu," has come as a great loss to those who came to know him through the youth centres set up by the organization in Israel.

During two decades of our close association I came to know him as a man of vision and high ideals, a dynamic personality with a Hassidic fervour and a deep understanding.



Eli Toren was a Yeshiva student in Belgium when World War II broke out. He joined the anti-fascist underground forces, participated in Maquis campaigns and became one of the leaders of the underground, smuggling Jewish children out of French concentration camps and assuring their survival in Switzerland. He was arrested twice by the Gestapo, and escaped the second time only by jumping out of a death train.

The Maquis sent him into Switzerland, where he organized and headed the Youth Welfare Department in the refugee camps. He was particularly active in promoting Jewish cultural activities amongst the refugees and the Jewish youth of Switzerland. After the war he received a call from the Jewish community of Amsterdam to re-organize and rehabilitate the youth organizations of Dutch Jewry.

In 1951 Rabbi Toren settled in Israel and assumed important duties in the Ministry of Religious Affairs. He was subsequently appointed Director for Special Assignments. From 1963 to 1965 he served as Aliyah Director of the Jewish Agency for Central America and in 1967, after the Six Day War, was appointed representative of the Ministry of Religious Affairs for the Reconstruction of the Jewish Quarter in the Old City. He was sent on official missions to the Far East, Europe and America.

The home of Rabbi Toren was always open to young and old, newcomers and veterans, for cultural activities, for guidance and advice, and for practical help to those in distress.

He will be best remembered by the young people whose lives he influenced throughout Europe and America, but particularly by the over 12,000 youngsters in Israel whose lives were so beneficially affected by the youth centres he initiated, developed and directed with unstinting dedication. The "Keren Yaldenu" educational network served to protect the underprivileged child from alien influences and imbue the youngsters with traditional Jewish values. Under Rabbi Toren's inspiring, non-partisan leadership, "Keren Yaldenu" has grown into a major force in social action.

We shall sorely miss him, his humanity, his practical wisdom, his sense of humour and his constructive criticism.

MALKA WILMA FRAENKEL,  
 President, Keren Yaldenu

## Daniel Berrigan, anti-war priest, freed from jail

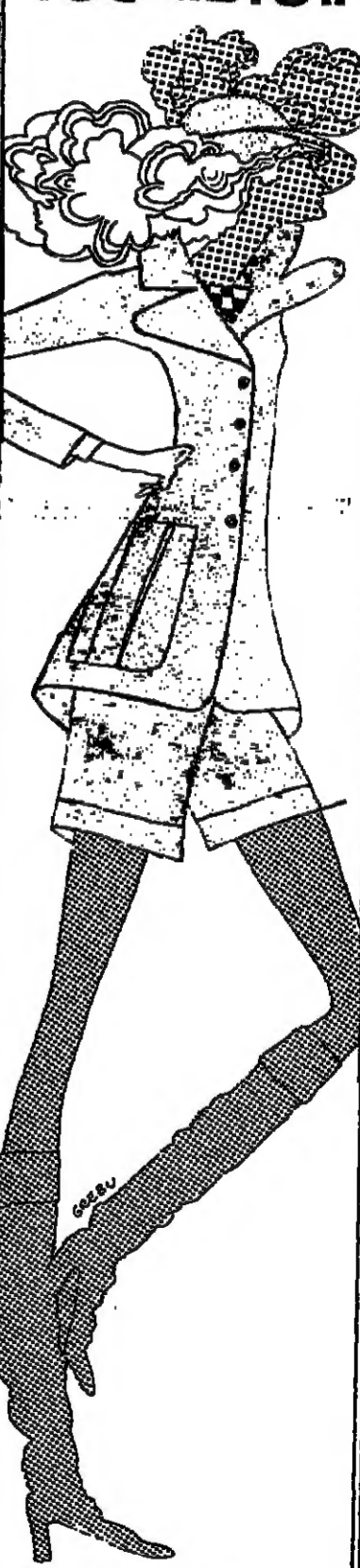
WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The Rev. Daniel Berrigan, the anti-war campaigner, was granted premature release from prison in Danbury, Connecticut, where he is serving a three-year sentence for destruction of draft records.

In response to his plea of ill-health, the U.S. Parole Board ruled that he can complete his term at Woodstock College, New York, teaching and writing under the supervision of his superior in the Jesuit Order. His sentence runs until August next year.

Daniel Berrigan, 51, is the brother of the Rev. Philip Berrigan, now on trial at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on charges that include plotting to kidnap President Nixon's foreign affairs aide, Dr. Henry Kissinger.

A Swedish Member of Parliament said in Stockholm yesterday that the Parliament's Nobel Prize Committee had received a letter nominating the two priests for the Nobel Peace Prize.

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Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The 200 stevedores employed on citrus fruit loading started a go-slow yesterday morning, in protest against the income tax deducted on their high premiums.

authorities recognize premiums of up to 33 per cent, on which a reduced tax of only 10 per cent is collected. The men pay the usual tax rates on the remaining 5,000 cases a day, which at their high income (during the season) may be as high as 70 per cent.

'Room bank' getting started for tourist peak

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter:
The Ministry of Tourism is starting a drive today to recruit private rooms for rent to tourists unable to find hotel space during the peak of the tourist season.

Netanya Mayor scored in sharp counter-attack

NETANYA. — "There is no parallel in the entire Central District to the chaos that exists in Netanya in the area of planning and construction."



The Mayor of Hebron, Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari, escorted by Holon Mayor Pinhas Eylon (right), at the Ort vocational school in Holon yesterday.

Mayor Ja'abari in Holon: Jewish settlers in Hebron welcome

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HOLON. — Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari said yesterday he welcomed the Jewish settlers in Hebron.

libraries and technical equipment of the college, which was recently affiliated with Tel Aviv University. He created a minor sensation in one of the lecture rooms, when he walked in with his guides during a class.

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One of 10 statues by Jean Arp, contributed recently to the Israel Museum by the artist's widow. Mrs. Arp, who visited Jerusalem when one of her late husband's sculptures was installed in Independence Park, promised the Museum a selection of his works.

'Colleges can accept all secondary grads'

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv University's new rector, Prof. Shlomo Simonson, told the press here yesterday that the country's universities are capable of accepting every student who graduates from high school and "all talk to the effect that they have no room is simply untrue."

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